



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND
US ARMY GARRISON NATICK
KANSAS STREET
NATICK, MA 01760-5002

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MEMORANDUM FOR Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, US Army Installation Management Command, ATTN: IM-PA Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234

SUBJECT: Endorsement for Robert Reinert as the Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the Year.

1. As the Garrison Command for the Natick Soldier Systems Center (NSSC), it is my honor and privilege to endorse Mr. Robert Reinert for the Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the Year Award. Mr. Reinert continuously goes above and beyond the call of duty in his journalistic assignments. One of my goals as the Garrison Commander is to ensure that the 'true' story of our installation is told, not only to the military world, but to the public sector as well. Mr. Reinert's dedication to his craft, and the volume of detailed articles regarding NSSC has far exceeded my expectations. He utilizes his skills he picked up while reporting for the Boston Globe to cultivate in-depth, fact-based stories about what takes place on our installation.
2. Mr. Reinert's most recent accomplishment was the telling of Natick's story for the last published issue of Soldiers Magazine (October), which was fully devoted to the Natick Soldier Systems Center. Mr. Reinert wrote 11 of the 13 articles, describing to the world the innovative and ground-breaking research that is performed here in support of our Warfighters. The quality of Mr. Reinert's articles is on par with any national level newspaper such as The New York Times, The Washington Post or The Los Angeles Times. The Army is incredibly lucky to have a journalist of his caliber and he is truly a Department of the Army level asset.
3. Mr. Reinert is a true professional, and the epitome of what a journalist should be to represent the US Army. I am proud to endorse Mr. Robert Reinert for the Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the Year Award.
4. Point of Contact for this action is the undersigned at 508-233-4205 (COM) or 256-4205 (DSN).

FRANK K. SOBCHAK
LTC, SF
Commanding



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3 January 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Endorsement of Mr. Robert Reinert

1. I strongly support and recommend the selection of Mr. Robert Reinert for the Civilian Journalist of the Year award.
2. Mr. Reinert's contributions to the U.S. Army Garrison Natick and the Natick Soldier Systems Center have been numerous and exemplary. His most significant recent accomplishment was his work, on behalf of the Garrison, for the last printed edition of Soldier Magazine in which he authored eleven of the thirteen published articles. Mr. Reinert has single-handedly generated more understanding of what is accomplished here and positive publicity for the Natick Soldier Systems Center through Soldier Magazine than any other effort in recent memory.
3. Mr. Reinert is an outstanding journalist and contributor to the good of the Army. He is truly deserving of this award.
4. The POC for this memorandum is the undersigned at (508) 233-4205.


HUGH H. HARDIN
Deputy to the Garrison Commander



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MEMORANDUM FOR Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, U.S. Army Installation Management Command, ATTN: IM-PA Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234

SUBJECT: Nomination for Robert Reinert as the Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the year.

1. As a Senior Non-Commissioned Officer in the United States Armed Forces, I have served over 30 years on all echelons of Command both domestic and abroad, in and out of combat, leading organizations of over 10,000 Soldiers and families. It is my esteemed pleasure to recommend Robert Reinert for this highly prestigious award. He is by far the best person to be recognized because of his consistently high standards of professional military journalism. The men and women who are serving our nation proudly around the world deserve nothing less than the best to report and tell "Our Story".
2. One of the major concerns of Soldiers and family members is the strategic planning for the future of our military. Mr. Reinert reports these stories of research, engineering, and equipment development that keep Soldiers excited about our future. Because of his writing abilities his stories are often adopted at Department of the Army level including "Soldiers" Magazine.
3. Mr. Reinert is the consummate professional. His techniques of interviewing are always unobtrusive, relevant, and accurate. He is "tough-nosed" and aggressive he will follow Soldiers in the most austere conditions in order to tell our story and tell it right. It is clear to see his journalism as a symbol of his service, and exceptionally meritorious dedication to serving those who serve. Without Bob's personal drive and his genuine spirit, it would not be possible for our team here at the Natick Soldiers System Center to maintain their motivation at such a high level. His stories foster pride in our collective work which allows all to be focused on the challenges that lie before them and directly impact their contributions on the modern battlefield.
4. Robert Reinert deserves the Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the year award.

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BRIAN W. WARREN
Command Sergeant Major, USA



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19 December 2011

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Texas 78234

SUBJECT: Nomination for Mr. Robert Reinert as Keith L. Ware Civilian Journalist of the
Year

1. Mr. Robert Reinert is by far the top Public Affairs performer in our organization. He is a journalist through and through. He has brought his past background as a reporter for the Boston Globe and has used it to tell the Army story far beyond expectations. He tells the story of the U.S. Army Natick Soldier Systems Center (Natick) and through his efforts has put Natick back on the map throughout the Army.
2. In 2011, Mr. Reinert wrote 72 stories of which more than doubled the output of our Public Affairs efforts in 2010. He was a key player in the October issue of "Soldiers" Magazine which was focused on the research and development done at the Natick Soldier Systems Center. He wrote 11 of the 13 stories in the magazine and to quote the editor, "I learned something new in every story that I read." This is a true credit to his reporting.
3. Mr. Reinert has never missed a deadline, and always is looking for the next big story. His reporting in 2010 helped the U.S. Army Garrison-Natick Public Affairs Office win IMCOM's Best Website and will have our webpage in the running again this year. If you want to meet the consummate professional, come to Natick and meet Mr. Bob Reinert.
4. This past year, not only has he contributed in the Command Information Department, he exceptionally filled in for the Chief of Public Affairs in his absence. He was recognized by the senior commander with the presentation of a One-Star note for his excellent reporting in "Soldiers" Magazine and is a trusted contributor as we continue to look for new ways to tell the story of the Natick Soldier Systems Center.
5. If I can say anything about Mr. Bob Reinert is this is a man of character. His goal for 2011 was to write 50 stories about the Natick Soldier Systems Center and he far exceeded that goal. He is my partner in this office. While I was dealing with the terminal illness of my father, Bob was a friend I could talk to and also a rock at the office knowing that I could devote time to be with my father and know that everything at the office was taken care of.

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6. Mr. Reinert is what every civilian journalist in the Army should aspire to be and is most deserving of the Moss-Holland Civilian Journalist of the Year award.

Encl

JOHN D. HARLOW
USAG-Natick
Chief of Public Affairs